AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 1 on page 7 with the following amended paragraph:

In a preferred embodiment of the invention, said cDNA molecules represent a group of N- and C-terminally double truncated cDNAs, which comprises the following nucleotide sequences: (Derivatives from 4-repeat tau (tau 43) are labeled R4 and derivatives from 3-repeat tau (tau [[43]]44) are labeled R3). Numbering used here is derived from full length tau cDNA described in Goedert et al.(24):

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